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	Application for Reissue 5. Patent No. 5,462,120:)
Inventor: Michel Gondouin) Group Art Unit: 3672
Serial No.: 09/871,813) Examiner: Unassigned
Filed:	June 4, 2001)
For:	DOWNHOLE EQUIPMENT, TOOLS AND ASSEMBLY PROCEDURES FOR THE DRILLING, TIE-IN AND COMPLETION OF VERTICAL CASED OIL WELLS CONNECTED TO LINER-EQUIPPED MULTIPLE DRAINHOLES))))))))))))

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Attention: **BOX MISSING PARTS**

Sir:

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

In response to the Notice To File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application of August 6, 2001, Applicant submits a Reissue Declaration, a substitute specification, the required fee of \$130.00, and a copy of the Notice To File Missing Parts.

The Notice To File Missing Parts provides that Applicant must submit a substitute specification in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.52 because "[I]ine spacing on the specification, claims or abstract is not 1 ½ or doubled spaced (See 37 CFR 1.52(b))" and because the "specification was submitted in multiple column format and is not

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WASHINGTON, DC 20005 202-408-4000 suitable for electronic reproduction (see 37 CFR 1.52(a))." Applicant respectfully traverses the objection to the specification on the grounds listed.

The above-identified application is a reissue application. The rules for reissue applications specify that the specification should be provided "in double column format." *See* 37 C.F.R. § 1.173(a)(1). In particular, the rules provide that an "application for reissue must contain the entire specification, including the claims, and the drawings of the patent." *See* 37 C.F.R. § 1.173(a). The rules further provide that the "entire specification, including the claims, of the patent for which reissue is requested must be furnished in the form of a copy of the printed patent, in double column, each page on only one side of a single sheet of paper." *See* 37 C.F.R. § 1.173(a)(1). Because the original specification was provided in single column format, Applicant hereby provides the specification "in the form of a copy of the printed patent, in double column, each page on only one side of a single sheet of paper." Accordingly, Applicant believes that he has fully responded to the Notice to File Missing Parts.

Please associate the enclosed declaration and specification with the application, grant any extensions of time required to enter this response, and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.
 A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- A substitute specification in compliance with 37 CFR 1.52 because:
 - Line spacing on the specification, claims, or abstract is not 1-1/2 or double spaced (See 37 CFR 1.52(b)).
- The specification was submitted in multiple column format and is not suitable for electronic reproduction (see 37 CFR 1.52(a)).

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